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7 FAM 1300 APPENDIX M GENDER CHANGE

Changes

1. Summary:

- Update PPT/A's office symbol
- Remove the ambiguous language about accepting an amended birth certificate as evidence (w/o medical documentation) when there has been a gender change
- Remove endorsement language and reference 7 FAM 1300 Appendix B on endorsements
- Remove Exhibit A which provided the posts with the same language as Information Request Letter (IRL) 706- instead we are referring them to the IRL itself
- Add language to allow for limited validity issuance when the birth certificate needs correction and there has been no gender change
- 2. If this issuance changed less than half the words, we formatted the changed text in *dark magenta italic*. If this issuance changed more than half the words, we did not use *dark magenta italic*. The CT line in each section shows when that section last changed.
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